## Message

From: Pero, Haley (Sanders) [Haley\_Pero@sanders.senate.gov]

6/13/2017 1:18:24 PM Sent:

To: Brown, Rudy [Brown.Rudy@epa.gov] Subject: RE: Environmental education, citizen science

Hi Rudy,

Many thanks for the info – I'll share it with the constituent.

All the best, Haley

From: Brown, Rudy [mailto:Brown.Rudy@epa.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 13, 2017 8:39 AM

To: Pero, Haley (Sanders) < Haley\_Pero@sanders.senate.gov>

Subject: Environmental education, citizen science

Haley,

Kristen Conroy, our Environmental Ed (EE) contact, suggested that you reach out to a local EE non-profit. Vermont's State EE chapter is SWEEP. Some information is below.

## About SWEEP

## Vermont State-Wide Environmental Education Programs

SWEEP is the Vermont State-Wide Environmental Education Programs, a nonprofit coalition of individuals and organizations whose mission is to promote a sustainable future by fostering exceptional environmental literacy work through our state and regional networks.

SWEEP envisions a society that follows environmental sustainability principles for the well-being of humans and global ecosystems.

Since 1973, SWEEP members have been meeting regularly to exchange information and to coordinate efforts among Vermonters involved and interested in environmental education

http://vermontsweep.org/index.php/about-us/about-sweep

I am sure SWEEP knows of local nonprofits or other projects in the area you are considering.

At this point, I have not heard back for our Healthy Communities contact.

I hope this helps. As you know the Appropriations process (for FY 2018) is just beginning so many future issues are up in the air. I will forward any information that comes in. Thanks.

From: Pero, Haley (Sanders) [mailto:Haley Pero@sanders.senate.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 2:23 PM

**To:** Brown, Rudy < <u>Brown.Rudy@epa.gov</u>> **Subject:** Environmental education, citizen science

Hi Rudy,

I hope you had a nice weekend.

I recently met with a constituent looking to develop a high school program where local students spend a semester with the community, using it as their classroom. It would be based in Burlington and focus on getting to know the city's government structure, but also the city's environment/Lake Champlain.

For the environmental education component, I suggested the constituent consider EPA's Environmental Education and Healthy Communities' programs. Will the latter be running this year? I haven't yet seen a solicitation.

Are there other programs you would suggest I point the constituent to? I was going to send them a link to the Citizen Science section of the EPA website. I know you also have the Making a Visible Difference in Communities Program. Do you have any sense as to whether you will be adding additional communities?

Thanks, Haley